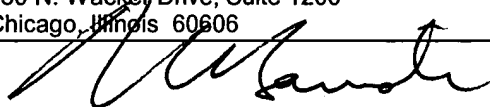
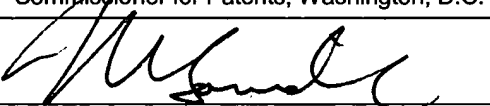


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|   | Group Art Unit       | 3713              |
|   | Examiner             | Jones, Scott E.   |

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|   |                        |       |                                 |               | Small Entity    |           | Large Entity    |           |
|---|------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
|   | Claims After Amendment |       | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Rate            | Add'l Fee | Rate            | Add'l Fee |
| Total                                     |                        | Minus |                                 | 0             | x \$9=          | 0         | x \$18=         |           |
| Indep.                                    |                        | Minus |                                 | 0             | x \$42=         | 0         | x \$84=         |           |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim |                        |       |                                 |               | +\$140=         | ---       | +\$280=         |           |
|   |                        |       |                                 |               | total add'l fee | \$ 0      | total add'l fee | \$ 0      |

| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT   |  |       |               |
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